Task-Method-Knowledge Toolkit for Spacecraft Launch & Payload Processing System, Phase I



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Project Introduction

The objective of this proposal is to investigate how DiscoveryToolsTM, a knowledge acquisition tool for capturing, representing and automating strategic knowledge, can be applied to spacecraft launch and payload processing (SL&PP). Primary focus will be placed on capturing knowledge and rationale for facilitating spacecraft launch and payload processing. DiscoveryTools allows process engineers to identify control processes. It also enables graphical display of the control processes and algorithms. This can, and should be, immensely useful for spacecraft launch and payload process engineers and operators. The DiscoveryTools interface allows the engineer to simulate and monitor a process as it executes, which means that needed changes can be identified and corrected without recoding. This potentially saves time and effort, and because the control process is explicitly represented as knowledge, it can be stored, manipulated, shared, and edited as knowledge. Here we investigate how DiscoveryToolsTM can support SL&PP and how it can be enhanced to better support SL&PP in the future.

Primary U.S. Work Locations and Key Partners



Organizations Performing Work	Role	Туре	Location
Kennedy Space Center(KSC)	Lead	NASA	Kennedy Space
	Organization	Center	Center, Florida
Discovery Machine,	Supporting	Industry	Williamsport,
Inc.	Organization		Pennsylvania



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Organizational Responsibility

Responsible Mission Directorate:

Space Technology Mission Directorate (STMD)

Lead Center / Facility:

Kennedy Space Center (KSC)

Responsible Program:

Small Business Innovation Research/Small Business Tech Transfer



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Florida	Pennsylvania

Project Management

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Technology Areas

Primary:

- TX12 Materials, Structures, Mechanical Systems, and Manufacturing
 - └ TX12.4 Manufacturing
 - ☐ TX12.4.4 Sustainable Manufacturing

